

A marked-up version of the replacement paragraphs, indicating the deletions in brackets and the additions by underlining, is attached as Appendix A.

Applicants submit this Amendment in order to cancel all references to any drawing not submitted with the application, and Applicants believe that the amendments made should not change the number of pages submitted with the application.

Date: March 11, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

Andrew F. Strobert Reg. No. 35,375

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher
& Flom LLP
Four Times Square
New York, New York 10036
(212) 735-3000

Appendix A
(Marked-Up Version of Amended Paragraphs)

Page 11, paragraphs 2, 3 and 4:

An example of a computer system [400] is [shown in Fig. 4] described. The computer system [400] represents any single or multi-processor computer. The computer system [400] includes one or more processors[, such as processor 404]. The processor [404] is connected to a communication infrastructure [406] (e.g., a communications bus, cross-over bar, or network). Various software embodiments are described in terms of this exemplary computer system. After reading this description, it will become apparent to a person skilled in the relevant art how to implement the invention using other computer systems and/or computer architectures.

The [C] computer system [400] can include a display interface [405] that forwards graphics, text, and other data from the communication infrastructure [402] (or from a frame buffer not shown) for display on the display unit [430].

The [C] computer system [400] also includes a main memory [408], preferably random access memory (RAM), and may also include a secondary memory [410]. The secondary memory [410] may include, for example, a hard disk drive [412] and/or a removable storage drive [414], representing a floppy disk drive, a magnetic tape drive, an optical disk drive, etc. The removable storage drive [414] reads from and/or writes to a removable storage unit [418] in a well-known manner. The [R] removable storage unit [418], represents a floppy disk, magnetic tape, optical disk, etc. which is read by and written to by the removable storage drive [414]. As will be appreciated, the removable storage unit [418] includes a computer usable storage medium having stored therein computer software and/or data.

Pages 12-13, paragraphs 1-4:

In alternative embodiments, secondary memory [410] may include other similar means for allowing computer programs or other instructions to be loaded into the computer system [400]. Such means may include, for example, a removable storage unit [422] and an interface [420]. Examples of such may include a program cartridge and cartridge interface (such as that found in video game devices), a removable memory chip (such as an EPROM, or PROM) and associated socket, and other removable storage units [422] and interfaces [420] which allow software and data to be transferred from the removable storage unit [422] to the computer system [400].

The [C] computer system [400] may also include a communications interface [424]. The [C] communications interface [424] allows software and data to be transferred between the computer system [400] and external devices. Examples of the communications interface [424] may include a modem, a network interface (such as an Ethernet card), a communications port, a PCMCIA slot and card, etc. Software and data transferred via the communications interface [424] are in the form of signals [428] which may be electronic, electromagnetic, optical or other signals capable of being received by the communications interface [424]. These signals [428] are provided to the communications interface [424] via a communications path (i.e., channel) [426]. This channel [426] carries signals [428] and may be implemented using wire or cable, fiber optics, a phone line, a cellular phone link, an RF link and other communications channels.

In this document, the terms "computer program medium" and "computer usable medium" are used to generally refer to media such as a removable storage drive [414], a hard disk installed in a hard disk drive [412], and signals [428]. These computer program products are means for providing software to the computer system [400]. The invention is directed to such computer program products.

Computer programs (also called computer control logic) are stored in main memory [408] and/or secondary memory [410]. Computer programs may also be received via a communications interface [424]. Such computer programs, when

Page 13, remainder of paragraph 4 from p.12; and

Page 13, paragraph 2:

executed, enable the computer system [400] to perform the features of the present invention as discussed herein. In particular, the computer programs, when executed, enable the processor [404] to perform the features of the present invention. Accordingly, such computer programs represent controllers of the computer system [400].

In an embodiment where the invention is implemented using software, the software may be stored in a computer program product and loaded into the computer system [400] using the removable storage drive [414], hard drive [412] or communications interface [424]. The control logic (software), when executed by the processor [404], causes the processor [404] to perform the functions of the invention as described herein.